

CHRISTIAN MOUEIX

In the world of wine, few possess the depth of experience of Christian Moueix. With fifty-five years of winemaking on Bordeaux's Right Bank and four decades in Napa Valley, he has been a pioneer of adaptive viticulture, shaping vineyards to meet the evolving demands of climate and terroir.

Born in Libourne in 1946, Christian assumed responsibility for his family's châteaux in 1970, including the legendary Pétrus, which he managed for thirty-eight years. Today, he continues to direct eight family estates, among them La Fleur-Pétrus, Trotanoy, Hosanna and Latour in Pomerol, and Bélair-Monange in Saint-Émilion. Since 1991, he has also served as President of Établissements Jean-Pierre Moueix, the renowned Bordeaux wine merchant founded by his father in 1937.

Christian has a deep connection to the land and has always pursued growing the highest quality grapes. Since the 1970s, he has championed innovative viticultural techniques - from early experiments with organic farming to the use of helicopters for frost control and the installation of extensive vineyard drainage systems. In 1973, he introduced the practice of crop thinning, significantly improving grape quality and setting a standard now embraced by vineyards worldwide. Today, Christian and his teams remain at the forefront of viticultural innovation, continually adapting their methods to address the challenges of climate change.

Christian's philosophy centers on revealing the unique character of each vineyard, crafting wines defined by elegance and balance. In 1983, he began producing Dominus from the historic Napanook vineyard in Yountville, and in 2008, he acquired a 40-acre Oakville vineyard, which debuted as Ulysses with the 2012 vintage.

In 2023, the completion of a new winery at Château Bélair-Monange, Premier Grand Cru Classé in Saint-Émilion, designed by Herzog & de Meuron, marked Christian's sixth collaboration with the acclaimed Swiss architects. Their partnership began in 1997 with the iconic winery for Dominus Estate in Yountville.

With an unwavering pursuit of excellence in both Napa Valley and Bordeaux, Christian, alongside his children, Edouard and Charlotte, continues to champion sustainable, vibrant ecosystems. In France, the vineyards hold the highest environmental certification (HVE Level 3) while in Napa, both Dominus Estate and Ulysses have earned full organic certification - a testament to their enduring stewardship of the land.

Dedicated to ensuring the vitality of his vineyards for future generations, Christian Moueix promises wines of unparalleled quality.